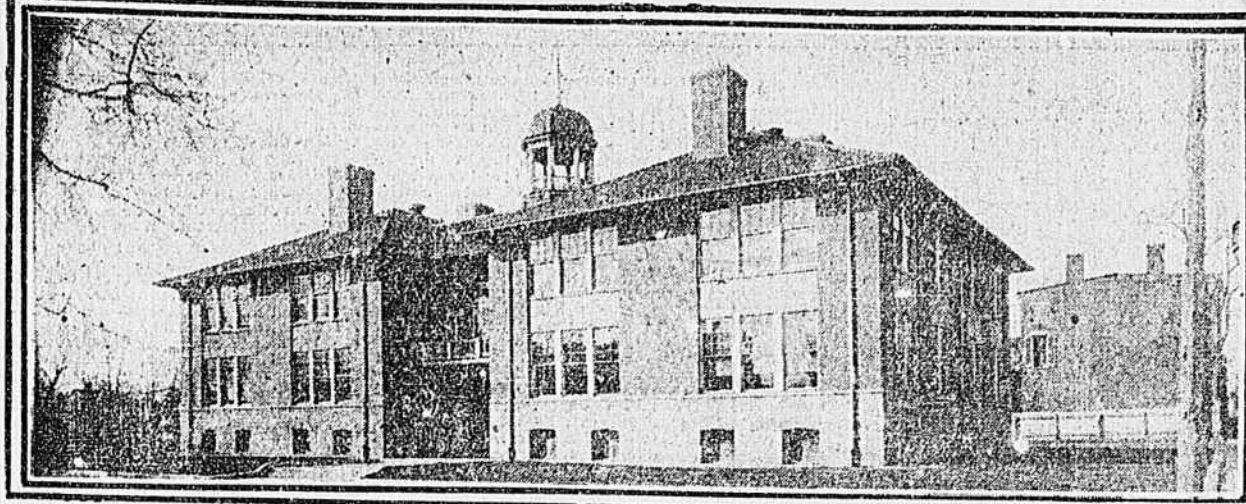


Alexandria Has Reason to Boast of Its Public School System



LEE PUBLIC SCHOOL FOR WHITE GIRLS. A NEW AND MODERN BUILDING.

ALEXANDRIA, Va., February 3.—With the opening of the public schools here last September, this city, for the first time in its history, inaugurated a high school. The city now boasts of one of the best public school systems in the State, and in addition there are a large number of private schools and academies, which bring this city to the forefront in point of education.

With the establishment of the high school, the public schools of Alexandria are today crowded. Few, however, are denied admission to the schools.

It was after several years of effort that the city school board finally decided upon the establishment of a high school for co-education. W. A. Anderson, Jr., of Richmond, was chosen principal, and he, with a corps of three other teachers, is now in charge of the high school, which is declared to be running along very smoothly.

This obviates the necessity of parents sending their children to Washington and other points out of the city, in order to obtain a high-school education.

The high school is taught in the new Lee school building for girls.

The public schools of this city with the establishment of the high school are today declared to be in better shape than ever before. In point of number the attendance exceeds that of any recent previous year. There are approximately 1,350 white pupils in the two white schools and 500 pupils in the colored schools. The total number of teachers employed by the city in giving the students their training is thirty-four, of which twenty-four are white and ten colored. Four of the white teachers teach in the high school.

For the benefit of the little tots the Alexandria Free Kindergarten has also been established here for several years. A certain amount of money is annually given by the city to assist in its maintenance, and the residue is collected by popular subscription. The kindergarten teaches little ones whose tender age would not admit them into the public schools. This institution is, however, virtually under the eye of the public school, the children being taught in the same building as the girls.

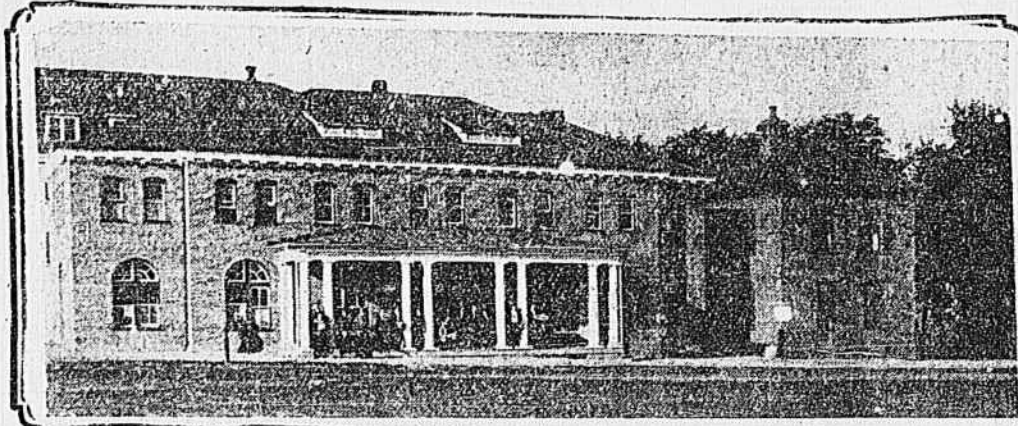
The school building known as Lee School is a new structure, being completed only a year or so ago, and is modern in every detail. The Washington School, for boys, is also a modern building.

The city now has under consideration the erection of a modern structure, adjoining the latter, to take the place of the old Hallowell building, which is used for boys in the primary departments. With the proposed addition, and the schools for colored children in fair shape, Alexandria's public school buildings will compare favorably with any in the State for a city of its size.

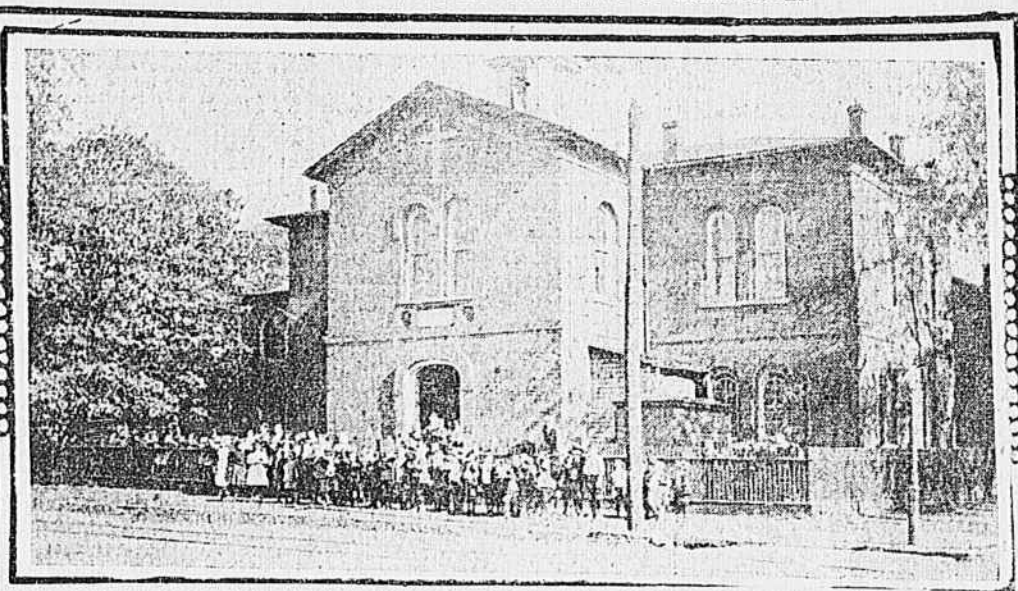
In addition to the public school building, one of the largest private schools in the city is St. Mary's Academy, taught by the Sisters of the Holy Cross. Students come here from all parts of the country, and they number several hundred. The sisters also conduct St. Mary's Parochial School, for small boys and girls, practically all of whom are from the city and the adjoining territory.

Arlington Institute, conducted by the Misses Chardlee, a school for girls, also is largely attended.

The Episcopal High School and the Episcopal Theological Seminary, three miles west of Alexandria, in Fairfax county, would also really come under the schools of Alexandria and should not be overlooked. The high school is attended by students from many



EPISCOPAL HIGH SCHOOL, THREE MILES WEST OF ALEXANDRIA.



ST. MARY'S PAROCHIAL SCHOOL FOR BOYS AND GIRLS. TAUGHT BY THE SISTERS OF THE HOLY CROSS.

States in the Union, and has a long and honorable career, as has also the Episcopal Theological Seminary, devoted to the education of young men for the ministry in that faith. Many dignitaries of the Episcopal faith have received their training at this seminary.

Alexandria county's schools are in splendid shape, and it boasts of the finest public school building in the State. The school facilities there are being added to almost annually. Generally speaking, the city can well feel proud of its public and private schools, and the fact that they draw pupils from many States is the best evidence of their progress.

BOWLING GREEN

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.] Bowling Green, Va., February 10.—Miss Abbie Moncur, of Blacksburg, is visiting her grandparents, Judge and Mrs. E. C. Moncur, at Auburn. Webb Fains, of Richmond, spent a part of this week with his parents.

Major and Mrs. W. W. Rains, of Fayetteville, N. C., February 10.—Mrs. David Gillespie Mackethan received Thursday afternoon at her home on Green Street, in honor of Mrs. J. Crawford Biggs, of Durham, the guest of Mrs. E. R. Mackethan. The house decorations were artistic, the drawing-room being in pink, arranged with Killarney roses, while pink carnations and palms embellished the punchroom, and Jacqueminot roses and ferns the

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WARRENTON

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Mrs. Macon Meyers left on Monday for Washington, where she will spend several weeks with her daughter, Miss Mary E. Meyers.

Misses Agnes and Nannie Payne entertained at a tea on Wednesday afternoon at "Mecca," in honor of the Misses Turner, of The Plains, who are the guests of Mrs. Edward Carter. Miss Elizabeth Wabur is in Warrenton after a visit of several weeks in Richmond to Miss Mary Traylor.

Mrs. Murray Forbes and Mrs. W. F. Huber left this week for Covington, Ky., where they will be the guests of Misses F. H. Huber.

Mrs. S. B. Woodfin, who has been the guest of Mr. and Mrs. James Walden Jeffries, returned on Monday to her home in Richmond.

Mrs. E. S. Hinks is visiting in Baltimore, Md.

Miss Virginia Primrose, of Baltimore, who has spent several winters in Warrenton as the guest of her cousin, Miss Rosa N. Toque, will arrive in Warrenton the coming week.

Miss McGill, who has been the guest of Mrs. Edward Carter, has returned to her home at The Plains.

Miss Elizabeth Hutton, Misses Anna and Nettie Curtis are at home after spending several days in Brookland, D. C.

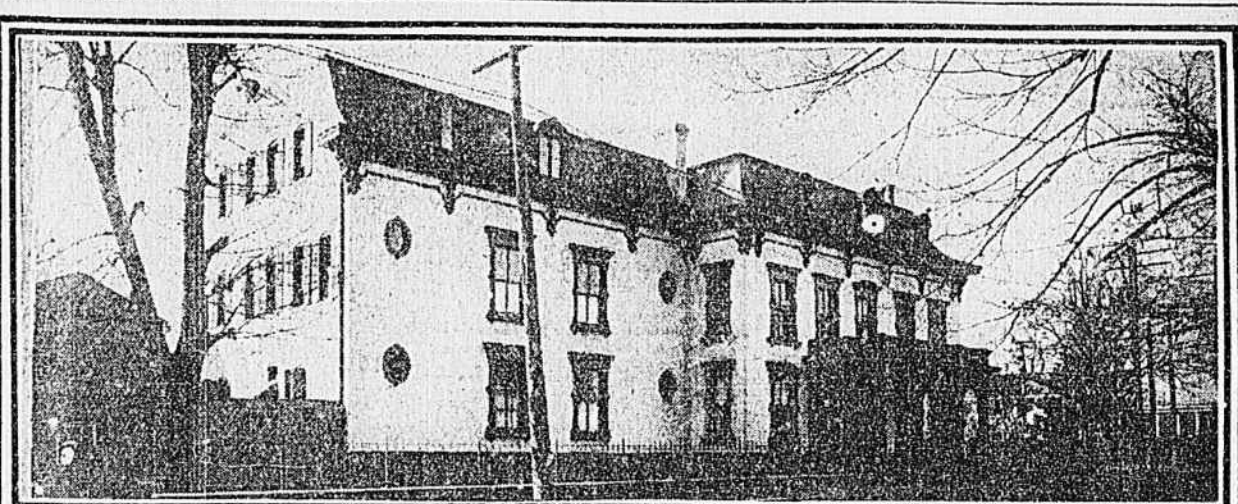
Miss Lillie Robertson has returned home from Baltimore, Md., where she has been the guest of Dr. and Mrs. H. M. G. Robertson.

Delaney Evans left on Sunday afternoon for North Carolina, and Louisiana.

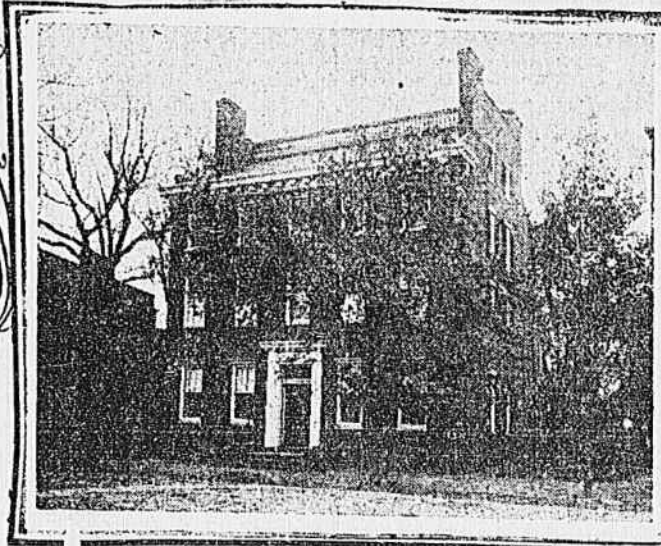
Dr. Robert Fraiser, who has been a guest for several weeks at Mrs. Sarah Hoge's, went to Richmond on Tuesday morning.

Mrs. J. A. C. Grover and the Misses Grover, who have been guests at Mrs. M. M. Green's, are now guests of the Warren Green Hotel.

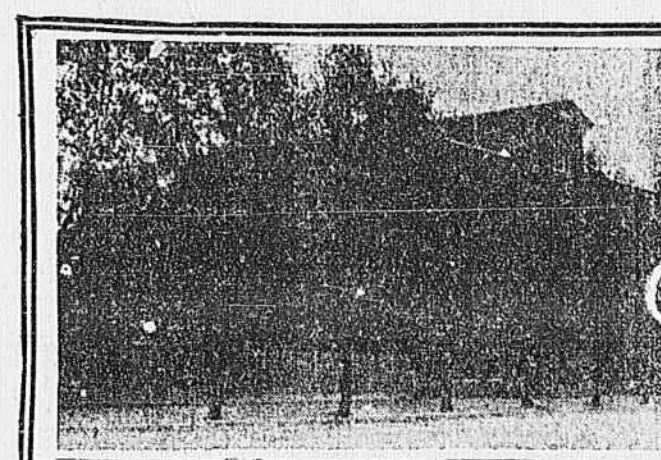
Mrs. H. C. Fair and Miss Emily Fair left last week for Greenville, S. C.



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where they will spend the winter with Dr. C. H. Fair.

Mrs. C. C. Fisher and little daughter and son left on Saturday last for Washington, D. C.

Mrs. F. C. Brooke is at home after a visit to Washington, D. C.

The talk at the Warrenton Library this week was given by Mrs. Charles R. Deane, her subject being Arnold Bennett.

Miss Mary W. Kennedy visited Warrenton this week, and was the

guest of her sister, Mrs. W. B. Mason.

Miss Jennie McConchie, who has been visiting at The Plains, is spending some time with Mrs. M. A. Wright on Main Street.

Miss Marion Hodgkins is at home after a visit of several weeks to Washington, D. C.

Robert Moser attended the dance in Culpeper on Thursday night.

Mrs. Laurie Hardin, of Washington, spent several days this week with

her mother, Mrs. Taylor Scott.

Mrs. M. E. Chapline, of Washington, visited Warrenton on Thursday of this week.

H. V. Carpenter and H. K. Hickey, of Washington, spent some time in Warrenton this week.

John E. Keith is at home from a visit to New York. Later Mr. Keith will go to Toronto, Canada, where he will act as judge for the horse show.

Among those of prominence who will be present at this show will be the Duke and Duchess of Connaught.

Miss Katherine Crawford is at home from a visit to Washington, D. C.

BLACKSBURG

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.] Blacksburg, Va., February 10.—Young women from the nearby towns and other parts of the State are here for the midwinter dances given by the Institute German Club, the regular German last night and the more informal hop this evening.

Miss Jean Marr left Tuesday for a short visit to Richmond, and from there will go to spend some time with Mrs. C. G. Guignard, in Columbia, S. C. She will be absent until late in March.

Miss Louise Kent Hoge, of Blacksburg, was one of the bridesmaids at the wedding of Miss Willie Edmondson Penn and Julian Rutherford, in St. John's Church, Roanoke, Wednesday evening.

Walter R. Price and J. T. White left Friday to attend the meeting of the Grand Lodge of Masons in Richmond.

W. J. Price, of the Institute, was also a visitor in Blacksburg this week.

W. T. Shelton, of Burkeville, spent a part of this week with his son, Cadet Shelton, of the V. P. I.

Mrs. R. M. Patterson, Mrs. Rebecca and Oley Patterson, of Philadelphia, are guests of Mr. and Mrs. Alexander Black.

Miss Jessie Reid, of Radford, is the week-end guest of Miss Argyle Tutwiler for the dances at the college.

Miss Lockie Lankous, a former teacher in Blacksburg High School, was the guest of Mrs. Henry B. Pack this week.

Charles W. Black and F. W. Wyatt, of this place, spent a part of the week at Marion.

RADFORD

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.] Radford, Va., February 10.—Cassell-ton was the scene of an interesting Dickens party on Thursday afternoon, when Mrs. George E. Cassell entertained the Current Events Club and friends. The decorations were carnations, the club color. A salad course, ices and sweets were served by Miss Marie Louise Gaiway, Rebecca Kearley and Ann Cassell.

Miss Mary Ingles, of Dublin, and Misses Laura and Eliza Ingles, Mrs. Whitmore and Mrs. William Ingles, Jr., were dinner guests of Mrs. William Ingles on Tuesday.

Professor Wythe Morehead, of Roanoke College, gave a talk on Thackeray and Dickens in the Music Club Hall Tuesday.

Rev. J. H. Whitmore, Captain Osborne and William Ingles, Jr., went to the missionary convention in Chattanooga.

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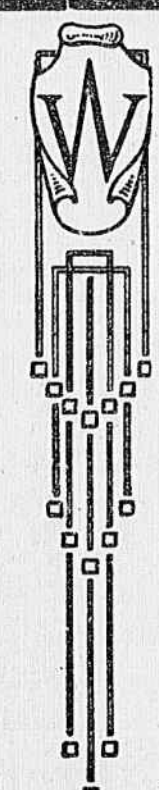
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